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| DEN                       | HOD OF MANUFACTURING<br>TAL POSTS, OBTURATORS<br>RESTORATIONS | / |                           |

## **ELECTION**

Via Electronic Filing Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In response to the Official Action mailed from the United States Patent and Trademark Office on September 22, 2006, as required under 35 U.S.C. 121, Applicants elect for further prosecution in the instant application, Species I, Claims 1-34, drawn to a method of making a post or an obturator.

The Examiner is requested to telephone Applicants' attorney at the number listed below if it will advance the prosecution of this case. If necessary, the Examiner is authorized to charge further fees necessary to advance the prosecution in this case from Deposit Account No. <u>50-0718</u>.

## Respectfully submitted,

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